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Maritime Press Association.

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

AT THE

SESSIONS OF 1889.

CONSTITUTION

AND

BY-LAWS.

LIST OF MEMBERS AND OFFICERS.

HALIFAX, N. S.
MORNING HERALD PRINTING AND PUBLISHING COMPANY.
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THE
Maritime Press Association.

CONSTITUTION.

I. The name of the Association shall be the Maritime Press Association.

II. The objects of the Association shall be to promote the general interests of the journalistic profession.

III. The Association shall be composed of editors, proprietors, business managers and members of the regular salaried editorial or reportorial staffs of all newspapers or periodicals published in the Lower Provinces.

IV. The officers shall consist of a president, six vice-presidents, cor.-secretary, secretary-treasurer, and an executive committee consisting of the officers and seven others, all of whom shall be elected annually by ballot.

V. The initiation fee shall be one dollar, and the annual dues one dollar, commencing 1st January, 1889.

BY-LAWS.

Section 1.—The annual meeting of the Association shall be held the third week in August at such place as is decided upon at the previous annual meeting.

Section 2.—The arrangements for the annual meeting and excursion shall be made by the Executive Committee in conjunction with a committee of the local members of the Association.

Section 3.—Five members shall form a quorum at meetings of the Executive.

Section 4.—The rules of order which ordinarily govern parliamentary bodies shall be observed at the meetings of the Association.

Section 5.—A Nominating Committee shall be appointed at each annual meeting to suggest a list of officers representative of the three Provinces, subject to election by ballot in each case of contest.

Section 6.—The Constitution can only be amended after due notice has been given at the annual meeting previous to that at which amendment is made, and then by a vote of the majority of qualified members present. In the event of urgency being demanded, by a two-third vote, without one year's notice, the Constitution may be amended by those present at an annual meeting.

Section 7.—The President shall preside at all meetings of the Association and Executive, and in the event of his absence, the Vice-Presidents shall preside in the order of seniority. The duties of the Corresponding Secretary

shall be to conduct all correspondence pertaining to the affairs of the Association. The Secretary-Treasurer shall keep the minutes of the Association, issue certificates of membership, publish an annual volume of proceedings, collect and receive all funds, and disburse the same as necessary.

Section 8.—All accounts of the Association shall be audited by a committee of three elected at each annual meeting.

Section 9.—Members of the Association who cease to become active journalists shall remain honorary members and enjoy all the privileges of members of the Association save that of voting.

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS.

Second Annual Gathering.

FIRST SESSION.

New Glasgow, Sept. 11th, 1889.

Association met at 11 a.m. at the Vendome Hotel. Vice-President Alley in the chair.

Mayor Sutherland and J. D. MacGregor invited the Association, on behalf of the town of New Glasgow, to accept of their hospitality, and submitted a plan for a comprehensive view of the town and surroundings in the afternoon.

After an adjournment for the afternoon excursion, the Association met in MacGregor's Hall at 9 p.m.

Vice-President Alley presided, and Mr. J. Burgoyne was appointed Secretary *pro tem.*

After confirmation of minutes, the names of fourteen new members were reported.

Mr. A. Milne Fraser read report of committee on advertising. Said report stated that the Committee had communicated with all newspaper publishers in the Maritime Provinces, and had received about forty replies, many of which contained useful suggestions; but it had been found impossible to get the committee together, owing to lack of time since receiving the

replies, and therefore no exhaustive report had been found practicable. The report recommended the appointment of a committee so composed that they could meet together for consultation.

Messrs. Fraser, Burgoyne, Cahan, and A. Dennis, were appointed a committee to bring in a report during convention.

On motion of Messrs. Huestis and Fraser, it was agreed that steps be taken to secure, if possible, similar privileges as to reduced rates at hotels, to those enjoyed by commercial travellers.

On motion of Messrs. Drummond and Cahan, resolved that the telephone companies be requested to place their rates to newspapers sufficiently low to encourage the more general use of telephone lines in obtaining news.

On motion of Messrs. Cahan and Fraser, the Secretary was instructed to write the Postmaster General with reference to the unsatisfactory practice now adopted in regard to newspapers returned to publishers; and to suggest the use of postal cards instead of the notice at present used; as well as legislation looking to the enforcing of such rule.

Resolved, on motion of Messrs. Fraser and Cotton, that in future the initiation fee for membership cover the current year's subscription.

Read, report of treasurer, Mr. J. T. Hawke, shewing a balance in hand of $42.90. Report adopted.

Read, telegram from President Bertram, regretting that he could not be present at New Glasgow, but hoping to meet them on their way to Cape Breton, where ample arrangements were made for their reception.

Read, letter of regret at inability to be present from Mr. J. T. Hawke, Moncton; and telegram from Mr. J. Alb. Black, Amherst; both of whom expressed warm interest in the success of the Association.

Report of nominating committee, read and adopted as follows:

OFFICERS FOR 1889-90.

President—W. B. Alley, Colchester Sun.

Vice-Presidents—J. T. Hawke, Moncton Transcript; S. D. Scott, St. John Sun; V. A. Landry, Digby L'Evangeline; H. D. Blackadar, Halifax Recorder; James McIsaac, Charlottetown Herald; B. D. Higgs, Charlottetown Guardian.

Secretary—John Burgoyne, Halifax Herald.

Treasurer—A. Milne Fraser, Halifax Critic.

Executive Committee—R. Drummond, Stellarton Trades Journal; Rev R. Murray, Halifax Presbyterian Witness; R. J. Gilbert, Sackville Maritime Agriculturist; J. W. D. Stearns, Sydney Island Reporter; J. A. Black, Amherst Gazette and Record; J. E. B. McCready, St. John Telegraph; L. C. McNutt, Fredericton Farmer.

Auditors—C. H. Cahan, W. R. McCurdy, Halifax; J. J. Anslow, Windsor.

On motion of Messrs. Fraser and Huestis, it was agreed that all applications for membership be hereafter made on a blank form to be prepared by the Secretary; the applicant to sign the same and be recommended by two members of the Association, who shall also sign the application, which, with a copy of the applicant's paper, or that with which he is connected, shall be forwarded to the Secretary, who is empowered to issue a certificate of membership on receipt of fee.

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Mr. Fraser gave notice that at the next annual meeting of the Association he would move "that hereafter the officers of the Association be a President, one Vice-President from each province, a Secretary and a Treasurer."

On motion it was agreed that the thanks of the Association be given to the New Glasgow Board of Trade for courtesies extended.

SECOND SESSION.

GRAND NARROWS, C. B. Sept. 12th, 1889.

Association convened at 9 p.m. President Alley in the chair.

Minutes of first session read and confirmed.

Read, letter from Messrs. McDougall and McNeil, which had been addressed to ex-President Bertram, offering the free use of the Grand Narrows Hotel to the Association during their stay.

After an informal discussion as to the utility of the card of membership, it was agreed that the Secretary, Treasurer, and Mr. Cahan take what steps they deemed expedient to secure from railways, steamboats, and all lines of travel, any special privileges for the press such as are granted to commercial travellers.

On motion of Mr. W. L. Cotton and Mr. A. C. Bertram, it was agreed that next year's meeting should be held in Prince Edward Island, and that Mr. W. L. Cotton, Hon. D. Laird, and Mr. McIsaac, should be the local committee of arrangements, with power to add to their number.

On motion, it was agreed that By-Law No. 1 be changed, by substituting the word " week " for the word "Tuesday" in the second line, viz.:

"The annual meeting of this Association shall be held on the third week in August, at such place as is decided upon at the previous annual meeting."

Resolved, That Messrs. Cotton and J. J. Anslow be added to the Advertising Committee.

A profitable discussion was engaged in as to advertising, and some valuable suggestions made.

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to convey the thanks of the Association to the proprietors of the Grand Narrows Hotel, the Telegraph House, Baddeck, Mr. Mitchell, of Bay View Hotel, Whycocomagh; to Capt. Burchell, of the Steamer Marion, and to the railway authorities for courtesies shown.

Association adjourned at 11 p. m. to meet in Prince Edward Island the third week in August, 1890.

MEMBERS' ROLL.

Name of Member.	Newspaper.
HON. DAVID LAIRD	*Charlottetown "Patriot.*
WM. DENNIS	*Halifax "Herald."*
JOHN T. HAWKE	*Moncton "Transcript."*
C. GOODSPEED	*St. John "Messenger and Visitor."*
T. S. HOWE	*Lunenburg "Progress."*
ALEX. LAWSON	*Yarmouth "Herald."*
HUGH MCINNIS	*Charlottetown "Examiner."*
HENRY A. O'LEARY	*Moncton "Transcript."*
H. A. MCKNIGHT	*Springhill "News."*
R. A. PAYNE	*St. John "Sun."*
J. H. CROCKETT	*Fredericton "Gleaner."*
OSWALD CROCKETT	*Fredericton "Gleaner."*
J. E. B. MCCREADY	*St. John "Telegraph."*
P. A. MELVILLE	*St. John "Telegraph."*
REV. ROBT. MURRAY	*Halifax "Presbyterian Witness."*
H. W. BARNES	*Halifax "Presbyterian Witness."*
W. C. ANSLOW	*Newcastle "Advocate."*
ALBERT DENNIS	*Pictou "Standard."*
A. M. FRASER	*Halifax "Critic."*
C. F. FRASER	*Halifax "Critic."*
G. W. WOODWORTH	*Kentville "Chronicle."*
JAMES GOWEN	*Halifax "Echo."*
C. B. NICOLSON	*Windsor "Clarion."*
HOWARD CLARK	*Halifax "Critic."*
HENRY HARVEY	*Halifax "Herald."*
J. M. BAXTER	*Halifax "Chronicle."*
FRED. MONAGHAN	*Halifax "Chronicle."*
J. S. BOYD	*Moncton "Times."*
J. M. MCCONNELL	*New Glasgow "Eastern Chronicle."*
J. J. ANSLOW	*Windsor "Hants Journal."*
W. B. ALLEY	*Truro "Colchester Sun."*
D. B. HIGGS	*Charlottetown "Island Guardian."*
J. J. STEWART	*Halifax "Herald."*

Name of Member.	Newspaper.
S. D. SCOTT	*St. John "Sun."*
F. W. BOWES	*Halifax "Chronicle."*
REV. DR. LATHERN	*Halifax "Wesleyan."*
ROBT. DRUMMOND	*Stellarton "Trades' Journal."*
JOHN BURGOYNE	*Halifax "Herald."*
V. A. LANDRY	*Digby L'Evangeline."*
J. McD. McISAAC	*Charlottetown "Herald,"*
GEO. J. CLARKE	*St. Stephen "Courier."*
H. T. STEVENS	*Moncton "Times."*
A. C. BERTRAM	*North Sydney "Herald."*
J. A. BLACK	*Amherst "Gazette."*
FRED. ROBIDOUX	*Shediac "Moniteur Acadien."*
W. L. COTTON	*Charlottetown "Examiner."*
A. M. BELDINE	*St. John "Sun."*
J. E. SCRANTON	*Bridgetown "Monitor."*
A. E. WALL	*Moncton "Transcript."*
J. J. DINGWALL	*North Sydney "Herald."*
L. C. MACNUTT	*Fredericton "Maritime Farmer."*
H. A. CROPLEY	*Fredericton "Gleaner."*
GEORGE A. HUGHES	*St. John "Globe."*
W. A. LETSON	*Liverpool "Times."*
J. E. WOODWORTH	*Kentville "Chronicle."*
E. WOODWORTH	*Sackville "Post."*
J. W. D. STEARNS	*Sydney "Reporter."*
REV. JOS. McLEOD, D.D.	*Fre'cton "Religious Intelligencer."*
W. R. McCURDY	*Halifax "Herald."*
HIRAM WIER	*Halifax "Mail."*
C. H. CAHAN	*Halifax "Herald."*
S. F. HUESTIS	*Halifax "Wesleyan."*
ROBT. J. GILBERT	*"Maritime Agriculturist."*
MRS. MINNA PIPER	*Bridgetown "Monitor."*
JAS. WATT	*Carleton "Sentinel."*
JAS. STEWART	*Kentville "Star."*
FRED. MOSELEY	*Sydney "Advocate."*
A. E. HUESTIS	*Halifax "Wesleyan."*
P. R. BOWERS	*St. John's, Nfld. "Colonist."*
MISS CONSTANCE FAIRBANKS	*Halifax "Critic."*
MISS ANNIE HUNTINGDON	*Windsor "Hants Journal."*
FREDERICK J. NASH	*Charlottetown "Patriot."*
REV. J. H. SAUNDERS	*St. John "Messenger and Visitor."*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

JOHN T. HAWKE, *Secretary-Treasurer*, in Account with THE MARITIME PRESS ASSOCIATION.

	Cash Received.	
1888.	Members' Fees	$57 00
1889.	Six new members' fees received Sept. 10th	6 00
"	By Six Renewals received Sept. 10th	6 00
		$69 00

1888.		Cash Disbursed.	
March	20.	N. S. Ptg. Co. (circulars)	$1 50
"	20.	W. Dennis (postage)	1 00
Sept.	20.	W. Dennis, "	1 00
May	20.	J. T. Hawke, (printing certificates)	1 50
July	20.	J. T. Hawke, (printing circulars)	1 00
Aug.	20.	H. T. Stevens, (cases)	6 10
Sept.	15.	Telegrams (excursion)	3 50
Dec.	31.	Postage, (J. T. H.)	2 00
1889.			
July	10.	Printing certificates	1 00
Aug.	19.	" reports	5 50
Sept.	10.	Postage to date	2 00
Sept.	11.	By Cash Balance	42 90
			$69 00